The Krewe of Nereids

presents

Twenty-third Annual Bal Masque

SATURDAY EVENING, JANUARY 14, 1989
MISSISSIPPI COAST COLISEUM, BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI

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Let's Rock 'N' Roll

The ERA OF THE FABULOUS FIFTIES ... nothing before or since has equaled its POWER, MIGHT, MAGIC and MUSIC!!!

It was the time of DUNGAREES and POODLE SKIRTS ... of BOBBY SOCKS and LEATHER JACKETS! It was the era when DRIVE-INS offered MILK SHAKES and BURGERS, served by ... ROLLER-SKATING CARHOPS. The sounds of the times came from PAUL ANKA ... THERESA BREWER ... FABIAN ... LIL' ANTHONY AND THE IMPERIALS ... THE PLATTERS ... and LES PAUL AND MARY FORD. Neon lighted JUKE BOXES were spinning the records that let us do the JITTER BUG and the STROLL. But whether it was "ROLLER SKATING RINKS" ... "CATS AND FRATS" ... "PEDDLE PUSHERS" ... "BLUE SUEDE SHOES" ... it was all part of the crazy 50's. BILL HALEY and his COMETS said it ALL when they sang out ... ONE, TWO, THREE O'CLOCK, FOUR O'CLOCK ROCK ... FIVE, SIX, SEVEN O'CLOCK, EIGHT O'CLOCK ROCK ... NINE, TEN ELEVEN O'CLOCK, TWELVE O'CLOCK ROCK ... WE'RE GONNA ROCK ... AROUND THE CLOCK ... TONIGHT!

As our TABLEAUX unfolds ... we invite you to join us, as TOGETHER ... we share in the MAGIC that will fill your hearts with MUSIC, LAUGHTER and NOSTALGIA ... For all are a part of our WONDERFUL WORLD OF R-O-C-K 'N' R-O-L-L!!!

Our BANDSTAND comes musically alive, as we await the ... rousing "RHYTHMS OF THE FIFTIES OVERTURE" ... MAESTRO, IF YOU PLEASE!!

OUR BAL MASQUE UNFOLDS ...

a. The CAPTAIN's whistle signals the beginning of our TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL SPECTACULAR BAL MASQUE ... AS ... WE WELCOME ...

b. The ROYAL COURT of 1988 ... recalling the glitter, glamour and spectacle of the "WORLD OF SHOW-BIZ ... in our music-filled ball presentation ... "ENTERTAINMENT, U.S.A." ...

c. All Hail THEIR ROYAL MAJESTIES, our 1988 KING AND QUEEN ...

d. Behold the spotting of the CREST OF NEREIDS, as a prelude to our ... "ROCK 'N' ROLL TRIBUTE" ...

e. Portraying those ever glamourous ... "RHYTHM AND BLUES SHOW GIRLS", our KREWE OFFICERS extend a "WELCOME TO THE BALL" and signal the ... ERA OF THE 50's ... as they invite us to drop in ...

f. At the FROST TOP ... for all that rah-rah excitement of the "Yeah, man, that's crazy!" years ...

g. So, grab your pony-tailed BABY ... and put on your dancin' SADDLE-OXFORDS as we ALL get ready to ... R-O-C-K 'N' R-O-L-L! ...

h. Wow, watch those cool convertibles cruise in for some jumpin' jive and a big frosty malt ...

i. Those "ST. GABRIEL HIGH" guys and gals really show you how to ROCK 'N' ROLL as ...

j. Our Political Activists encourage the voters to "GET OUT AND VOTE" ...

k. Here come the Motorcycle GUYS and DOLLS ... revving up their wheels! Far Out Man ... Far out! ...

l. WELCOME ..... "LEADER OF THE PACK" ..... as portrayed by the ..... CAPTAIN OF NEREIDS! ...

m. It's MOTORCYCLE HEAVEN as the 1950 generation "jumps" to the upbeat sounds of ROCK 'N' ROLL ... and calls for ...

n. The FRATS to join in their fun, frolic and foolishness ...

o. The "MUSIC OF THE FIFTIES?" ... What delectable sounds of magical memories! ... Our MAIDS AND DUKES of the ROYAL COURT will bring to life ... some of the HIT POP TUNES that thrilled ... ROCK 'N' ROLLERS.

Hear These Sounds ...

In 1952 ... FRANKIE AVALON crooned ... the Out-of-this-World ... "VENUS"

The year was 1954 ... and JO STAFFORD belted out a Cajun Tune ... "SHRIMP BOATS ARE A-COMING"

In 1955 ... KAY STARR captivated the Air Waves with her ... "WHEEL OF FORTUNE"

In 1957 ... THE FOUR TOPS excited the jive kids with that Jungle Antic ... "WITCH DOCTOR"

The year was 1958 ... the voice was NAT "KING" COLE's with the Unforgettable Ballad ... "MONA LISA"

In 1959 ... MITCH MILLER told the U.S.A. about that ... "YELLOW ROSE OF TEXAS"

p. Hail QUEEN DORIS XXIII, personifying the ... "SPIRIT OF MUSIC" and reigning as ... QUEEN OF OUR BALL ...

q. HER ROYAL MAJESTY now calls for ... the CAPTAIN to escort ...

r. KING NEREUS XXIII, who bids that his subjects re-live with him ... the "HAPPINESS" of the "MAGIC OF ROCK 'N' ROLL ENTERTAINMENT"

s. HONORED GUESTS are received at the REGAL THRONE ... BEFORE ...

t. The ROYAL COURT in a "GRAND PROMENADE" ... amid a KALEIDOSCOPE OF THE CELEBRATION of music from the "ROCK 'N' ROLL ERA" ...

u. Let's GO ... it's "L-I-V-E" to DICK CLARK and ... the "AMERICAN BAND-STAND" ... where we enjoy the ... "MOUSKETEERS" ... and the "AMERICAN BANDSTAND DANCERS" ... after which ...

v. We hear those SUPER STARS ... OF THE FIFTIES FATS DOMINO .. CONNIE FRANCIS .. ELVIS PRESLEY

w. And now its ... "PROM NIGHT" at St. Gabriel High! Hey man ... let's go for it! The NEREIDS KREWE MEMBERS ... invite you to enjoy the merry-making madness, that is ... "ROCK 'N' ROLL ...

x. All E-N-J-O-Y ... the "GRAND FINALE"! ... before ... our "OFFICERS OF NEREIDS" take a final curtain call and give a "MUSICAL SALUTE" to YOU their honored guests ... as ...

y. The gracious and charming ... CAPTAIN OF THE KREWE ... bids you a nostalgic ... "FAREWELL" ... until we all meet again at next year's SUPER SPECTACULAR ... NEREIDS BAL MASQUE EXTRAVAGANZA!

z. The "CALL-OUT DANCES" begin ... after which ... GENERAL DANCING adds to the happy excitement of our ... TRIBUTE TO THE U.S.A.'s fascination of ... "ROCK 'N' ROLL".

The Royal Court of

1989

King Nereus XXIII

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MASTER JONATHAN ALAN URAM
MISS JENNIFER LYNETTE SCANLAN
MISS LINDY ANN HEITZMANN
MASTER DANIEL ANDREW DURAZO

Recollections

1967
Cavalcade of American Dance
*King Nereus I - Cornelius K. Herlihy **

1968
Era of Laughter
King Nereus II - Merlin R. Markel

1969
Carnival in Rio
*King Nereus III - Henry Develle, Jr. **

1970
Spirit of America
*King Nereus IV - W. Ray Gordon **

1971
Opening Nights
King Nereus V - James DeBlanc

1972
Three Ring Circus
*King Nereus VI - Haskell L. Doyle **

1973
Echoes of Famous Streets
King Nereus VII - John Gallagher

1974
The Enchanted Toy Shop
King Nereus VIII - T. Dixon Ashman

1975
The Jazz Age
King Nereus IX - David L. Johnson

1976
Hawaii, The 50th State
King Nereus X - Lucien M. Gex, Jr.

1977
State Fair
King Nereus XI - Vincent Schott

1978
Ooooh La La, Paree!
*King Nereux XII - Clifford P. Vogt **

1979
Classic Greece
King Nereus XIII - Luke Caruso

1980
Space Fantasy
King Nereus XIV - Robert W. Wyatt, Jr.

1981
Fiesta! Fiesta!
King Nereus XV - Donald W. Diboll

1982
The Adventures of Alice
King Nereus XVI - Arthur J. Chapman, III

1983
Yankee Doodle Dandy
King Nereus XVII - Thomas W. Kidd

1984
It's A Small World
King Nereus XVIII - Gerald C. Gex

1985
Sunday in the Park
King Nereus XIX - Alvin G. Bernard

1986
It's Mardi Gras Time
King Nereus XX - Harold M. Hitt

1987
And So It Was ... Dixieland
King Nereus XXI - Joseph W. Gex

1988
Entertainment, U.S.A.
King Nereus XXII - William B. Whitfield

* *Deceased*

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